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1. As of 1 July 1955, the Ministry of Foreign and Domestic Trade included six main departments and various small sections directly subordinate to Minister Heinrich Rau. The main departments had the following subdivisions:

a. Office of the State Secretary, First Deputy Minister Kurt Gregor

Domestic trade  
Press and publicity  
Customs and control of goods traffic  
Deutsches Institut fuer Marktforschung (Market research)

b. Administration, Deputy Minister Erich Waechter

Labor  
Protocol  
Legal matters  
Traffic  
General administrative matters  
VEB Deutrans  
VEB Deutfracht

c. Trade with Soviet Orbit countries, Deputy Minister Eleonore Staimer

This department is in contact with the trade section of East German representations in Soviet Orbit countries.

d. Trade with non-Orbit countries (Kapitalistisches Ausland), Deputy Minister Gerhard Weiss

This department is in contact with East German trade representations in non-Orbit countries. The section DIA Kompensationen comes under the jurisdiction of this department.

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e. Metals and machines, Deputy Minister Erwin Kerber

DIA Invest Export  
 DIA Maschinen  
 DIA Chemieausruestungen  
 DIA WMW-Export<sup>1</sup>

DIA Elektrotechnik  
 DIA Feinmechanik/Optik  
 DIA Transportmaschinen  
 DIA Metall

f. Mining, chemicals and light industry, Deputy Minister Willy Huettenrauch

DIA Bergbau  
 DIA Glas-Keramik  
 DIA Chemie  
 DIA Nahrung

DIA Textil  
 DIA Holz und Papier  
 DIA Kulturwaren

2. The following sections are directly subordinate to the Minister of Foreign and Domestic Trade:

Das Kollegium  
 Planning staff  
 Central supervision and quality controls  
 Accounting  
 Foreign exchange  
 Personnel  
 University (Hochschule) for Foreign Trade  
 School for Foreign Trade

3. The following organizations were under general supervision (Dienstaufsicht) of the Ministry:

Chamber for Foreign Commerce  
 Office of the Leipziger Messe  
 Deutsche Warenabnahmegesellschaft

<sup>1</sup> Comment: DIA Werkzeugmaschinen und Metallwaren.

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